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Entry of this Amendment and reconsideration of this application as amended are respectfully requested.

Claims 1-22, 33 and new claims 34-43 are pending in this application. Claims 23-32 are cancelled. Claims 4, 6-13, 17-22 and 33 are amended. The changes to these claims do not relate to patentability.

Restriction Requirement

In response to the restriction requirement, applicant hereby elects to prosecute in this application, Group I, claims 1-22. This election is made without prejudice to filing a divisional application directed to the subject matter of claims 23-33 as originally filed.

Non-elected claims 23-32 have been cancelled.

Non-elected claim 33 has been amended to depend from claim 1. It is respectfully requested that claim 33 be re-joined with the elected claims if claim 1 is found to be allowable in a form generic to the embodiment set forth in claim 33.

Election of Species Requirement

In response to the election of species requirement, applicant hereby elects to prosecute in this application, Species E, Fig. 11. This election is made without prejudice to filing a divisional application directed to the embodiments shown in Figs.

1-10 and 12.

Claims Readable on Elected Embodiment

Claims 1-4, 6-14 and 16-22, as amended, read on the elected embodiment. It is respectfully submitted that at least claims 1-4, 13, 14, 16 and 17 are generic to all of the disclosed species.

New Claims

Claims 34-43 are added. In view of the cancellation of claims 23-32, no fee is due for the presentation of claims 34-43.

Claims 34-43 are all directed to the elected embodiment and therefore read on the elected species.

An early and favorable action on the merits of the elected claims, claims 1-4, 6-14, 16-22 and 34-43, is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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